(c) to (e) The State Governments are well aware of the objectives of RKVY scheme and the projects taken under the scheme are formulated accordingly by the implementing Departments of the State Government, which are approved by the State Level Sanctioning Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary of the State concerned. Since the RKVY funds are utilized by the State Governments for implementation of projects under RKVY for increasing food grain production, hence the implementation of RKVY is supposed to increase productivity & production in the country.

Agricultural Credit

727. SHRI N.K. SINGH:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an urgent need to improve farmer's access to agricultural credit instead of following a policy for loan waiver and debt write off;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government proposes to consider such views of eminent agriculturists/economists in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the concrete steps taken by Government to improve agricultural productivity and to implement the Special Agricultural Action Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Growth of Agriculture, Animal Husbandary and Dairy in India

728. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total Budget allocation, as percentage of GDP, to Agriculture, Animal Husbandary and Dairy Development during each of Five Year Plans;

(b) the contribution of above three Sectors, as percentage of GDP during that period, Plan-wise;

(c) the contribution of these three sectors, as percentage of GDP during last five years in Rajasthan; and

(d) the percentage growth of these three sectors, in India/Rajasthan, during last five years and how did it compare with other sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) The total Budget allocation during each Five Year Plan for Agriculture and allied sectors and Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the country at current Market Prices and its percentage is enclosed as Statement-I (*See* below).